Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A non-return valve comprising a hollow sealing piston ~~(4)~~ received in a valve housing ~~(8)~~ and biased against a valve seat ~~(18)~~ by means of a spring ~~(16)~~ in a basic position, so that in the basic position a pressure medium connection between two working ports ~~(A, B)~~ in the direction of flow therethrough is closed, characterized in that the sealing piston ~~(4)~~ is manufactured by a plastics injection molding technique.

2. (Currently Amended) The non-return valve in accordance with claim 1, characterized in that the sealing piston ~~(4)~~ is manufactured of the plastics material PEEK.

3. (Currently Amended) The non-return valve in accordance with claim 1, characterized in that the sealing piston ~~(4)~~ is reinforced by 30% of carbon fiber.

4. (Currently Amended) The non-return valve in accordance with claim 1, characterized in that the sealing piston ~~(4)~~ includes a multiplicity of recesses ~~(48)~~ on the outer periphery ~~(46)~~, so that the sealing piston ~~(4)~~ is guided in the longitudinal bore ~~(6)~~ by axial webs ~~(50)~~ delimiting the recesses ~~(46)~~ from each other.

5. (Currently Amended) The non-return valve in accordance with claim 1, characterized in that the sealing piston ~~(4)~~ includes a star configuration of bores ~~(52)~~, through the bores ~~(54)~~ of which pressure medium may flow into a spring chamber ~~(20)~~ in the opened position.

6. (Currently Amended) The non--return valve in accordance with claim 4, characterized in that six recesses ~~(48)~~ and four bores ~~(54)~~ are provided.

7. (Currently Amended) The non-return valve in accordance with claim 5, characterized in that guide projections ~~(58)~~ are formed between the bores ~~(54)~~.

8. (Currently Amended) The non-return valve in accordance with claim 7, characterized in that the guide projections ~~(58)~~ have a triangular shape and taper in the flow-receiving direction.

9. (Currently Amended) The non-return valve in accordance with claim 7, characterized in that the guide projections ~~(58)~~ each have an axial length approximately corresponding to the inner diameters of the bores ~~(54)~~.

10. (Currently Amended) The non-return valve in accordance with claim 1, characterized in that the sealing piston ~~(4)~~ comprises a flow-receiving cone ~~(56)~~.

11. (Currently Amended) The non-return valve in accordance with claim 10, characterized in that the flow-receiving cone ~~(56)~~ has a rounded head ~~(62)~~.

12. (Currently Amended) The non-return valve in accordance with claim 1, characterized in that the spring ~~(16)~~ is supported in the valve housing ~~(8)~~ by a spring cup ~~(14)~~ made of plastics.

13. (Currently Amended) The non-return valve in accordance with claim 12, characterized in that the spring cup ~~(14)~~ has at its outer periphery ~~(42)~~ and/or on its front side at least one sealing lip ~~(36, 44)~~.

14. (Currently Amended) The non-return valve in accordance with claim 13, characterized in that the radial sealing lips ~~(36)~~ are inclined against the direction of pressure build-up, and the front-side sealing lips ~~(44)~~ are inclined in the direction of pressure build-up.